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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re:

Kenneth C. Caster

Docket No.: IR-2588(ET)CIP2

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Art Unit:

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Examiner:

Geoffrey L. Knable

For:

"Contact Metathesis Polymerization"

SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY AFTER FINAL

Assistant Commissioner of Patents

Feb. 28, 2005

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Sir:

The period under the final rejection from the Office action 12-14-04 continues to run.

In response to the advisory action mailed 2/02/05 Applicants present a showing of common ownership under 37 CFR 103 (C) to overcome the rejection of claims under 35 USC 102 (e) / 103 (a).

According to 35 USC 103(c), subject matter developed by another person, in this case, Tokas Et al, US pat. pub. 2002/0053379, which qualifies as prior art under subsection (e) of section 102 of this title, shall not preclude patentability under this section where the subject matter and the claimed invention were, at the time the invention (present Ser. No. 09/975,761 (Pub. No. 20020166629)) was made, owned by the same person or subject to an obligation of assignment to the same person (Lord Corporation).

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The period under the final rejection from the Office action 12-14-04 continues to run. Applicants submitted a Supplemental reply addressing a statement under 35 USC 103(c), and now provide a second supplement traversing a rejection under 35 USC 102 (e).

Applicants traverse the rejection (non-final action May 16, 2004, ¶ 4) under 35 UCS 102(e) over Tokas et al. US 2002 - 0053379. Each and every limitation of claim 20 should be regarded in determining whether Tokas Et al anticipates this claim.

The rejection relies on claim 20 of Tokas Et al for the method for bonding elastomer and metal and combines certain teachings from paragraphs (0038) and [0041].

Present Claim 20 recites a method whereby the metathesizable mixture comprises a metathesizable crosslinking monomer which is dissolved in a principal metathesizable material . The rejection relies upon paragraphs [0038] and [0041] of Tokas Et al. taken with the claim 20. The feature underlined above is to be regarded that

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